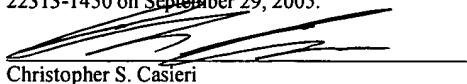


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In re Application of Susan Walker Kahne	:	Customer No. 26817
Serial No. 10/748,335	:	Group Art Unit: 1655
Filed: December 30, 2003	:	Examiner: Paul C. Martin
Title: IDENTIFICATION OF ACTIVE-SITE INHIBITORS OF GLYCOSYLTRANSFERASES USING A GENERALIZABLE HIGH-THROUGHPUT SCREEN	:	Confirmation No. 8137

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In an August 29, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following groups:

I. Claims 1-11, drawn to a method of identifying a compound that modulates the ability of a glycosyltransferase to bind a substrate, classified in class 435, subclass 193.

II. Claims 12-18, drawn to a composition that inhibits the ability of a glycosyltransferase to bind a substrate, classified in class 435, subclass 184.

III. Claims 19 and 20, drawn to a method of controlling proliferation of bacteria, classified in class 435, subclass 32.

Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group I, claims 1-11, drawn to a method of identifying a compound that modulates the ability of a glycosyltransferase to bind a substrate, classified in class 435, subclass 193 for prosecution in this application. Applicants respectfully request the right to file a divisional application directed to the unelected claims.

A prompt action on the merits is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned should he believe this would expedite prosecution of this application. It is believed no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2165.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 29, 2005



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